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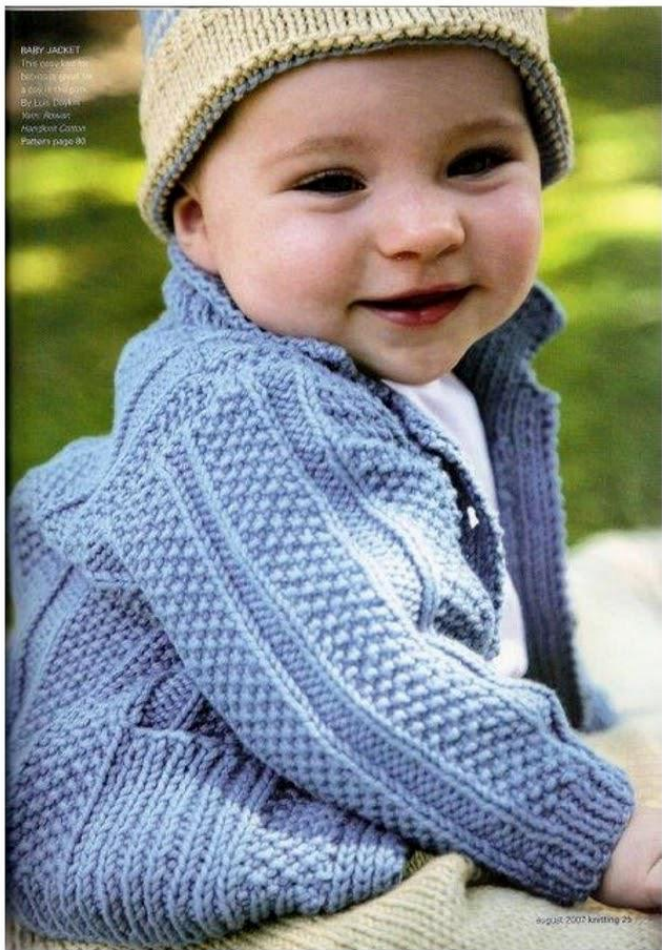
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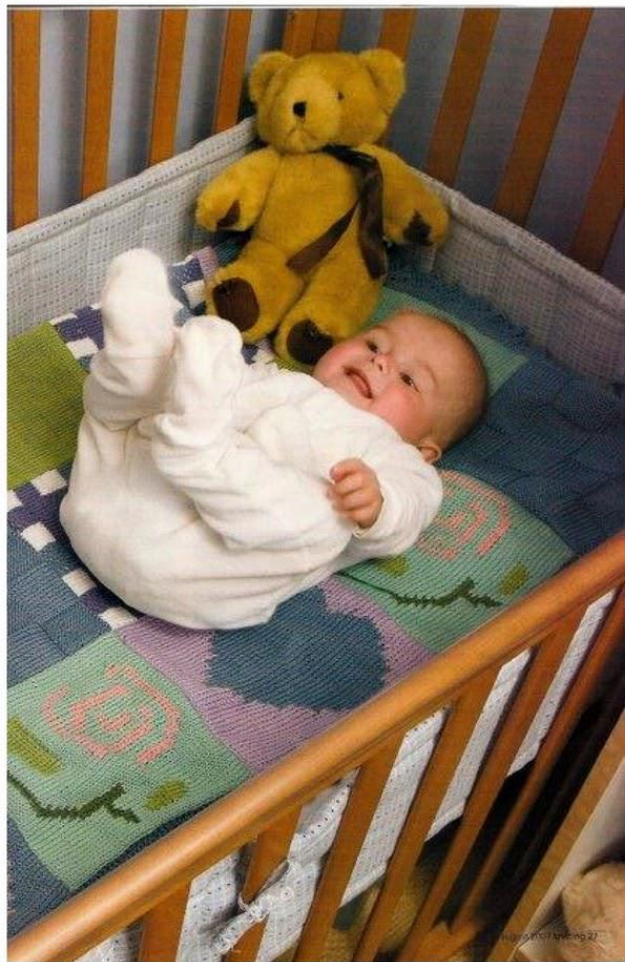
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SIZES

To fit dress size: 12(14-16;18)

To fit bust: 90-97(98-106-115-116-127)cm
(34-36(38-40-42-44-46-48)in)

Actual measurement: 90.5(95.5-96.5-105)cm
(32(35-38-41)in)

Figures in square brackets refer to larger sizes, where there is only one set of figures this applies to all sizes.

YOU WILL NEED

Bergère Esterelle 100% cotton (160m per 50g)
4(5.5-6) x 50g balls in Percale (A)

1 x 50g ball in Hêtre (B)
1 pair each 2.5mm and 3mm needles

2.5mm crochet hook

Row counter

Iridescent paillettes, golden beads

Note: Yarn amounts given are based on average requirements and are approximate.

TENSION

28 sts and 36 rows to 10cm over st at using

3mm needles. Use larger or smaller needles if necessary to obtain correct tension.

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BACK

Using 2.5 mm needles and A, cast on 97(109-119-131) sts and work in 1x1 rib for 4 rows.

Change to 3 mm needles and work in st st for 14 rows.

Next (inc) row: (RS) Cont in st st, k2, inc 1, work to last 3 sts, inc 1, k2.

Work 3 rows straight and rep inc row on next and every foll 10th row 7 times until

113(125-135-147) sts. Cont straight until back measures 27(28-29-29)cm (10.5(11-11.5)in)

from cast-on edge.

Shape armholes

Cast off 4 sts at beg of next 4 rows, 2 sts at beg of next 6(8-8-10) rows, and 1 st at beg of foll 10(12-14-16) rows. Work * 2 rows straight, then

cast off 1 st at beg of next 2 rows *. Rep from *

to * 3(3-4-5) times until 67(73-79-85) sts. Work straight until armhole measures 12(13-15-16)cm (5(5.5-6)in) from first cast-off row.

Shape shoulders

Cast off 4 sts at beg of next 4 rows, 3 sts at beg of foll 2 rows. Cast off rem 45(51-57-63) sts.

LEFT FRONT

Using A and 2.5 mm needles, cast on 28(34-39-45) sts and work in 1x1 rib for 4 rows, beg row 1 with k1(k2-p1).

Change to 3 mm needles and work 0(2-2-4) rows thus:

Row 1: Knit to last 5 sts, p1, k1, p1, k1, p1 (~rib 5).

Row 2: Rib 5, cont in st st to end of row.

Inc row: (RS) Work in st st to last 5 sts, then inc 1 (k this st, p1, k1, p1, k1, p1).

After 1st(3rd-3rd-5th) row; rep the inc row every foll 4th row 21 times and, at the same time, inc

at beg of every 10th row 3 times as given for back until 68(64-69-75) sts. Work straight until L front measures 26(26-27)cm (10(10-10.5)in)

from cast-on edge, ending at side edge.

Jasmin asymmetrical top
by Bergère de France

Shape neck

Next row: Knit to last 4 sts, sl 1, k1, pss, k2.
Rep this dec row every other row (20/20-20/32) times and, at the same time, when front measures same as back to start of armhole, ending at side edge.

Shape armhole

Reaping neck shaping continue as set. Cast off 4 sts at armhole edge on next and foll alt row, work 1 row. Cast off 2 sts at armhole edge on next and every foll alt row (3/4-5) times, work 1 row. Dec 1 st at armhole edge on next and every foll row (3/8) times. Work * 2 rows straight, then cast off 1 st at armhole edge on next row 1 row. * Rep from * to * (3/4-5) times until 11 sts. Work straight until armhole measures same as back, ending at shoulder edge.

Shape shoulder

Cast off 4 sts at beg of next and foll alt row, work 1 row. Cast off rem 3 sts.

RIGHT FRONT

Use row counter or keep tally of rows.

Using A and 2.5mm needles, cast on 60 (32-102-174) sts and work in 1x1 rib for 4 rows (the measurement diagram arrow indicates direction of work).

Change to 3mm needles and work inc row thus:

Next row: (RS) P1, k1, p1, k1, p1 (=rib 5), knit to last 3 sts, inc 1, k2 (=1 st). Cont with 5 sts in 1x1 rib and the rest of the row in st st, rep this inc row * every other (11) row (12-16-10) times, then every 4th row once, * rep from * to * (3/4-5) times, and finally rep the inc row every other row (10/14-12-15) times, 11 (13-14-12-15) sts. Work straight until R front measures 23 (24-25-26) cm (9 (10-10.5-10.5) in) from cast-on edge (end of row 84 (88-92-96)).

Shape neck and armhole

Cast off 5 sts at beg of every RS row (6 at neck edge) (8 (8-11) times, 4 sts at beg of every foll RS row 5 (7-7-10) times, 3 sts at beg of every RS row 9 (10-12-8) times, and 2 sts at beg of each foll RS row 11 (8-9) times. At the same time, cast off 2 sts at beg of next WS (armhole edge) row once, then 1 st at beg of foll WS row twice, and 1 st at beg of every other WS row (6 every 4th row) 5 (5-6-7) times. Work 14 (18-16-20) rows without shaping the armhole edge but cont the neckline dec as given.

Next row: At armhole edge, inc 1, work to end **.

Work 3 rows straight and rep from * to * twice. ** Work 2 rows straight (ending at shoulder edge).

Next row: Cast off 2 sts, work to end **.

Rep from ** to * 4 times.

Work 2 rows straight. Cast off rem sts.

BOBBLE

Using B and 2.5mm crochet hook work 3 ch (base chain). Replacing the first tr with 3 ch sts, work 5 tr to top into first st of base chain (so after initial 3 ch sts to count as 1, leaving last tip of each on hook work 4 incomplete tr into same st, then yo and through all 6 sts on hook). Fasten off.

FLOWER A

Using B and 2.5mm crochet hook, wind the yarn twice around the tip of your index finger, work 1 sl st under both strands, then ease the loop thus formed off your finger and into it work thus:
1 ch, * 1 dc, 3 ch, 2 tr, 3 ch *, rep from * to * 3 times, close with 1 sl st over first dc of round and fasten off. Pull firmly on the yarn and to close the initial loop.

FLOWER B

Using B and 2.5mm crochet hook wind the yarn twice around the tip of your index finger, work 1 sl st under both strands, then ease the loop thus formed off your finger and into it work thus:
Round 1: 1 ch, * 1 dc, 3 ch, 2 tr, 3 ch *, rep from * to * 4 times, close with a sl st over the dc at beg of round.

Round 2: Folding the petals of the previous round forward, under them work 4 ch, * 1 dc around dc, 3 ch *, rep from * to * to end, close with a sl st over the first ch st of round.

Round 3: In each ch lp of the preceding rnd work 1 dc, 1 half-tr, 2 tr, 1 half-tr, and 1 dc. Close round with a sl st over the first dc, then work 7 ch, 5 tr to top into the 3rd ch st from the hook, and fasten off. Rejoin the yarn with a sl st in the first of the 7 ch sts last worked from hook, fasten off.

Round 4: Join in A with a sl st and, folding the petals of round 3 forward, work 1 sl st around a dc of round 3, 5 ch, * 1 dc around next dc, 4 ch *, rep from * to *, and with a sl st over the first ch st.

Round 5: 1 ch, then in each chain lp of the preceding round work 1 dc, 1 half-tr, 3 tr, 1 half-tr, 1 dc. Close the round with a sl st over the first dc of round and fasten off. Pull firmly on the yarn and at beg of work to close the initial loop.

FLOWER C

Using A and 2.5mm crochet hook wind the yarn twice around the tip of your index finger, work 1 sl st under both strands, then ease the loop thus formed off your finger and into it work thus:

Rnd 1: 1 ch, 14 dc, close with a sl st over the first dc of round.

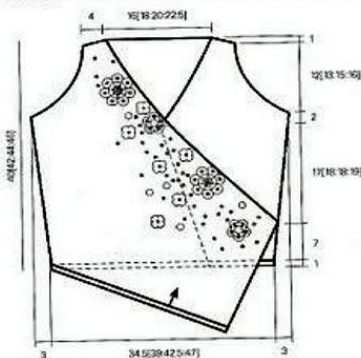
Rnd 2: 6 ch (3 to count as first tr, 3 to form first chain lp), * slip a st, 1 tr over foll st, 3 ch *, rep from * to *, close with a sl st over the 3rd ch st at beg of round and fasten off.

Rnd 3: Work 1 sl st in a chain lp, 1 ch, then in each chain lp work 1 dc, 3 ch, 3 half-tr, 3 ch and 1 dc. Close with a sl st over the first dc of round.

Rnd 4: Using B, 1 ch, 1 dc between the 2 dc of the preceding round, * 12 ch, 1 dc between 2 dc of preceding round, rep from * to *, and with 12 ch, 1 sl st over the first dc of round, and fasten off.

FINISHING

Using A and 2.5mm crochet hook, work 1 row of 2 sts (st over st) on each shoulder edge, then work back with a row of dc in every st. Fasten off. Back stitch the side seams. Again using the crochet hook and A, work around the armholes with a sl st in every st, working an extra 20 ch sts to form a strap between back and front, then work back over this first row with a row of dc. Use the crochet hook and A to work around the back and front neck as given for the armholes, forming the straps. Complete 7 bobbles, 6 flowers A, 2 flowers B, and 2 flowers C. Following the diagram, place a bobble at the centre of each flower. C and place the flowers to the front where indicated. Now place the flowers A and B in position and slip stitch them to the front. Attach the petals by placing a bead at the centre of each one and sewing them on together. Fold the right front over the left front and work a few little stitches to hold the fronts closed.



CHARTS: ALL MEASUREMENTS ARE IN CM

k1, pssol) 1[0:1:1:0] times, k1[2:2:1:0] sts, k2tog, yf, k1 1[0:0:1:0] times.

Row 10: P2tog, yf, 1[1:0:1:1] times, k2tog, 0[0:0:1:0] times, p1[0:0:1:1] k1[0:0:1:0], p5[1:3:5:5:5], * p6, k1, p5, rep from * to last 2 sts, p2, 11[12:12:12:12:12:12] sts.

Row 11: K2tog, yf, * k4, yf, s1, k2tog, pssol, yf, k3, k2tog, yf, rep from * to last 6[12:4:6:8:2] sts, k4[0:2:4:4:0], yf, s1, k1, pssol 1[0:0:1:0] times, k2tog, 1[7:12:12:12:12:12] sts.

Row 12: P2tog, pur to end.

Row 13: K2, * yf, s1, k1, pssol, k3, yf, s1, k1, pssol, k2, k2tog, yf, k1, rep from * to last 6[12:2:4:6:12] sts, yf, s1, k1, pssol 1[0:1:1:0] times, k2[3:0:2:3], yf, s1, k1, pssol 0[1:0:0:1] times, k0[0:0:0:0] k2tog, 1[2:12:12:12:12] sts.

Row 14: P2tog, pur to end.

11[12:12:12:12:12] sts.

Row 15: K2, * k1, yf, s1, k1, pssol, k5, k2tog, yf, k2, rep from * to last 4[10:12:2:4:10] sts, k2[1:1:0:2:1], yf, s1, k1, pssol 0[1:1:0:1] times, k0[5:5:0:0:5], k2tog, yf, 0[0:1:0:0:1] times, k2tog, 1[11:12:12:12:12:12] sts.

Row 16: Pur.

Row 17: K2, * k2, yf, s1, k1, pssol, k3, k2tog, yf, k3, rep from * to last 3[9:11:3:9:9] sts, k1[2:2:1:2], yf, s1, k1, pssol 0[1:1:0:1] times, k0[3:3:0:3], k2tog, yf, 0[0:1:1:0:1] times, k0[0:0:0:0] k2tog, 11[12:12:12:12:12:12] sts.

Row 18: Pur.

Row 19: K2, * k3, yf, s1, k1, pssol, k1, k2tog, yf, k4, rep from * to last 2[8:10:2:8:8] sts, k2[3:3:0:2:3], yf, s1, k1, pssol, k1 0[1:0:0:1] times, k2tog, yf, 0[1:0:0:0] times, k0[2:2:0:0:2].

Row 20: Pur.

Row 21: K2, * k4, yf, s1, k2tog, pssol, yf, k5, rep from * to last 2[8:10:12:8:8] sts, k1[4:4:4:0:4], yf, s1, k2tog, pssol, yf, 0[0:1:1:0:1] times, yf, s1, k1, pssol 0[1:0:0:1] times, k0[0:1:0:0:1], k2tog, 11[12:12:12:12:12:12] sts.

Row 22: Pur.

Row 23: K2, * k5, yf, s1, k1, pssol, k5, rep from * to last 1[7:9:11:1:7] sts, k1[5:5:1:5], yf, s1, k1, pssol 0[1:1:0:1] times, k0[0:2:4:0:0].

Row 24: Pur.

Row 25: Knit to last 2 sts, k2tog, 11[12:12:12:12:12:12] sts. Working in st-st (throughout) work this: Starting with 2nd row of st-st work 2[4:24:24:26:26:26] rows more without shaping.

Shape neck:

Work 14 rows inc 1 st at neck edge in next and every foll 4th row. Work 5 rows inc 1 st at neck edge in every row. 11[12:12:12:12:12:12] sts.

Next row: Knit to end, cast on 3.

Next and foll alt rows: Pur.

Next row: Knit to end, cast on 4 sts.

Next row: Knit to end, cast on 5 sts.

10[11:12:13:14:14:14] sts.

Next row: Pur ***

Next row: Knit to end, cast on 13[13:13:13:13:17] sts.

Work: K1[14:14:14:14:14:14] times, k2tog, yf, k2tog, yf, k1 1[0:0:1:0] times.

Work 9[9:11:11:11:11] rows more without shaping. Cast off.

NECK EDGING

Join R shoulder seam.

With RS facing, using 2.75mm needles pick up and knit 58[58:58:58:62:62] sts evenly along L side of neck, 16[16:16:17:17:17] sts evenly along straight front edge, 58[58:58:58:62:62] sts evenly along R side of neck and 53[53:53:53:55:55] sts from back of neck between markers. 185[185:185:185:185:185] sts. Knit 2 rows. Cast off k-wise.

ARMHOLE EDGINGS

Join L shoulder and neck edging seams.

With RS facing, using 2.75mm needles pick up and knit 128[128:134:140:150:154] sts evenly all round armhole edge. Knit 2 rows. Cast off k-wise.

TO FINISH OFF

Join side and armhole edging seams. Pin out garment to correct measurements. Cover with damp cloths and leave until dry. See ball band for washing and further care instructions.

TOP WITH SLEEVES

BACK

(Worked sideways from L to R).

Using 3.25mm needles and thumb method cast on 95[101:101:101:103:107] sts.

Shape armhole:

Row 1: Knit.

Row 2: Pur.

Cont in st st throughout and work 4[4:6:6:6:6] rows more. Work from *** to *** as given for back of sleeveless top.

Shape left shoulder:

Starting with 2nd row of st-st work 14[16:20:20:22:26] rows inc 1 st at shoulder edge in 5th[6th:7th:7th:8th:9th] row and foll 5th[6th:7th:7th:7th:9th] row 181[187:189:189:189:189] sts.

Place a marker at end of last row to mark L side of back of neck.

Cast without shaping until you measure 22[22:22:22:22:22]cm, 0[0:0:0:0:0] from marker, ending with a RS row. Place marker at end of last row to mark R side of back of neck.

Shape right shoulder:

Starting with 2nd row of st-st work 14[16:20:20:22:26] rows dec 1 st at shoulder edge in 5th[6th:8th:8th:9th:10th] row and foll 5th[6th:7th:7th:7th:9th] row 148[155:155:155:155:155] sts.

Work from ** to ** as given for back of sleeveless top. Work 5[5:7:7:7:7] rows more without shaping. Cast off.

FRONT

(Worked sideways from R to L)

96[101:101:101:103:107] sts.

Shape armhole:

Row 1: * P1, k1, rep from * to last st, p1

1 row more than back and repeat row 1 for 1 row.

Keeping continuity of moss-st work:

7[7:9:9:9:9] rows more. Work from ** to ** as given for front of sleeveless top.

Shape right shoulder:

Work 18[22:24:24:26:32] rows in moss-st inc 1 st at shoulder edge in 7th[8th:8th:9th:11th] row and foll 8th[7th:8th:8th:9th:11th] row 151[157:159:159:159:159] sts.

Shape neck:

Next row: Cast off 16[15:15:15:15:15] sts in moss-st, moss-st to end. 136[142:144:146:148:154] sts.

Work from *** to *** as given for front of sleeveless top.

Next row: Knit to end, cast on 16[15:15:15:15:15] sts. 151[157:159:161:162:173] sts.

Shape left shoulder:

Starting with 2nd row of st-st work

14[18:20:20:22:26] rows dec 1 st at shoulder edge in 6th[8th:8th:9th:10th] and foll 5th[6th:7th:7th:7th:9th] row 149[155:157:159:159:159] sts.

Work from ** to ** as given for back of sleeveless top. Work 5[5:7:7:7:7] rows more without shaping. Cast off.

SLEEVES

Using 3.25mm needles and thumb method cast on 78[84:90:96:100] sts. Working in st-st (throughout) inc 1 st at each end of 3rd and every foll alt row until 90[96:100:100:102:112] sts.

All sizes:

Work 1[1:3:3:3:1] rows more without shaping. Cast off.

Shape top: Using 5[5:6:6:6:6] sts at beg of next 2 rows 80[86:88:89:94:102] sts. Work 8[12:12:12:12:14] rows dec 1 st at each end of every row 64[62:64:64:64:64] sts.

Work 24[16:16:16:16:16] rows dec 1 st at each end of every row 24[22:22:22:22:22] sts. Cast off 5[5:5:5:5:5] sts at beg of next 2 rows. 12 sts. Cast off rem 12 sts.

NECK EDGING

Join R shoulder and neck edging seams. Fold sleeves in half lengthways, then placing folds to shoulder seams, sew sleeves in position. Join side and sleeve seams. Pin out garment to correct measurements. Cover with damp cloths and leave until dry. See ball band for washing and further care instructions.

TO FINISH OFF

Join L shoulder and neck edging seams. Fold sleeves in half lengthways, then placing folds to shoulder seams, sew sleeves in position. Join side and sleeve seams. Pin out garment to correct measurements. Cover with damp cloths and leave until dry. See ball band for washing and further care instructions.



Henrietta short-sleeved card by Jane Ellison

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SIZES

To fit bust: 80-85(85-90-90-95-95-100)cm (32-34(34-36-36-38-40)in)

Actual measurement: 86.5(91.95-100)cm (34(36-37.5-39.5)in)

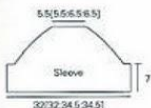
Length: 52(54-58-60)cm (21(21.5-23-24)in)

Sleeve seam: 7cm (3in)

Figures in square brackets refer to larger sizes where there is only one set of figures that applies to all sizes.



ALL MEASUREMENTS ARE IN CM



YOU WILL NEED

Laines Du Nord cashmere

50% Extra Fine Merino, 25% Silk, 25% Cashmere (62m per 25g ball)
9(10-11-12) x 25g balls in shade 12

Pair each of 4.5mm and 5mm knitting needles
10(10-11-11) Buttons

Note: Yarn requirements are based on average requirements and are approximate.

TENSION

18 sts and 24 rows to 10 cm over st using

5mm needles

Use larger or smaller needles if necessary to obtain correct tension.

ABBREVIATIONS SEE PAGE 64

BACK

Using 5mm needles, cast on 78(82-86-90) sts.

Rib row 1 (RS): K2, (p2, k2) to end.

Rib row 2 (WS): P2, (k2, p2) to end.

These two rows form the rib patt.

Rep the last two rows until back measures

12(14-16-18)cm (5(5.5-6.5)in) from cast on edge,

ending with WS row. Starting with a knit row,

cont in st st until back measures

30(32-34-36)cm (12(13-13.5-14.5)in) from cast on

edge, ending with a WS row.

Shape armholes

Cast off 4 sts at the beg of the next 2 rows.

70(74-78-82)sts. Dec one st at each end of next

and 3 foll 4th rows. 62(66-70-74)sts. Cont

without shaping in st st until armhole measures

22(22-24-24)cm (9(9-9.5-9.5)in) from start of

armhole shaping, ending with a WS row.

Shape shoulders

Cast off 12(13-14-15)sts at the beg of the next 2

rows. Leave rem 38(40-42-44)sts on a holder.

POCKET LININGS

(make two)

Using 5mm needles, cast on 18 sts. Starting

with the first rib row as given for back, cont in

rib patt until pocket lining measures

10(12-14-16)cm (4(4.5-5.5)in) from cast on

edge, ending with a WS row.

Place sts on a holder.

LEFT FRONT

Using 5mm needles, cast on 38(42-44-44)sts.

Starting with the first rib row as given for back,

cont in rib patt until L front measures

10(12-14-16)cm (4(4.5-5.5)in) from cast on edge,

ending with a WS row.

Pocket row: Rib 10(12-14-14)sts, place next

18 sts onto a holder, rib 18 sts along one pocket

lining, rib to end.

Rib 3 rows. Starting with a knit row, cont in st

st until L front measures 30(32-34-36)cm

12(13-13.5-14.5)in) from cast on edge, ending

with a WS row.

Shape armholes and left neck

Cast off 4 sts at beg of next row 34(36-38-42)sts

Next row: K14(12-16-18), slip sts on a holder,

work to end.

Dec 1 st at each end of next and 3 foll 4th rows.

12(13-14-15)sts. Cont without shaping in st st

until armhole measures 22(22-24-24)cm

9(9-9.5-9.5)in) from start of armhole shaping,

ending with a WS row.

Cast off.

RIGHT FRONT

Work as given for L front, reversing shapings

and placing of pocket.

SLEEVE

Using 5mm needles, cast on 58(58-62-62)sts.

Starting with the first rib row as given for back,

cont in rib patt until sleeve measures 6cm (2.5in)

from cast on edge, ending with a WS row.

Starting with a knit row, cont in st st, work 2 rows.

Shape top

Cast off 4 sts at beg of next 2 rows.

50(50-54-54)sts. Dec one st at each end of next

and 5 foll 4th rows. 38(38-42-42)sts. Work 1

row. Dec 1 st at each end of next and 3 foll alt

rows. 30(30-34-34)sts

Work 3(3-5-5) rows. Dec 1 st at each end of next

and every foll row until 16(16-20-20)sts rem.

Cast off 4 sts at the beg of the next 2 rows.

Cast off rem 10(10-12-12)sts.

POCKET TOPS

With RS facing and 5mm needles, pick up and

rib 18 sts from pocket top holder. Rib 1 row.

Buttonhole row: Rib 8 sts, cast off 2 sts, rib to

end.

Next row: Rib 8 sts, cast off 2 sts, rib to end.

Cast off loosely in rib patt.

BUTTONBAND RIGHT EDGING

With RS facing and 4.5mm needles, pick up and

knit 62(62-66-66) sts up R front opening edge.

Starting with the 2nd rib row as given for back,

cont in rib patt until edging measures 2.5cm

(1in), ending with a WS row.

Cast off loosely in rib patt.

BUTTONHOLE LEFT EDGING

With RS facing and 4.5mm needles,

pick up and knit 62(62-66-66) sts down L front

opening edge.

Starting with the 2nd rib row as given for back,

work 3 rows.

Buttonhole row: k2, p2, *k2tog2st, yrn,

rib6(5-8-8) rep from * to last 2 sts. k2.

Cont in rib patt until edging measures 25cm (1in), ending with WS row.
Cast off loosely in rib patt.

NECK EDGING

Join shoulder seams. With RS facing and 4.5mm needles, pick up and knit 6 sts from buttonhole edging, knit 14(17-19) sts from

holder at R front, pick up and knit 42 sts up R front neck, knit 36(40-44) sts from holder at centre back, pick up and knit 42 sts down L front neck, knit 14(17-19) sts from holder at L front, pick up and knit 6 sts from buttonhole edging, 62(170-178) sts.
Starting with a 2nd rib row as given for the back, work 3 rows.

Buttonhole row: Rib to last 2 sts, ym, k2togtbl. Cont in rib patt until neck edging measures 25cm (1in), ending with WS row.
Cast off.

TO FINISH OFF

Sew on sleeves, placing centre of sleeves to shoulder seams. Join side and sleeve seams.



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Liquorice strappy sundress by Sarah Moncrieff

SIZES

To fit bust: 86(90-94)cm (34(35.5-37)in)

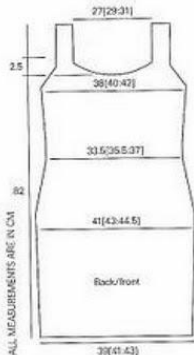
Actual measurement:

76(80-84)cm (30(31.5-33)in)

Length (from front cast off edge to bottom):

82cm (32in)

Figures in square brackets refer to larger sizes, where there is only one set of figures this applies to all sizes.



YOU WILL NEED

Patons 100% cotton (approx 21cm per 100g)
4(4.5) x 100g ball 02712 Black, (4)
1 x 100g ball 02700 Fawn/leopard (B)
Row counter

1 pair each 3.75mm and 4mm needles
1 circular 3.75mm needle

Note: Yarn amounts given are based on average requirements and are approximate.

TENSION

22 sts and 30 rows to 10cm over st st using 4mm needles. Use larger or smaller needles if necessary to obtain correct tension.

ABBREVIATIONS SEE PAGE 64

TIPS

Use row counter throughout.

PATTERN NOTES

Picot

Sl next st on RH needle back onto LH needle, cast on 2 sts, knit into front and back of each of these 2 sts, slip next st back onto RH needle, then pass the 4 sts, one at a time over this st.

BACK

Using A and 3.75mm needles cast on 86(90-94) sts.

Change to 4mm needles and starting with a knit row work st st for 5 rows. Work 2 rows B for rows 6 and 7 and rows 10 and 11. Work a further 65 rows.

Shape hips

Inc 1 st at each end of row 97 and row 107, 90(94-98) sts. Work straight until 101 rows from cast on edge of the dress have been completed.

Next row: * K2, p2 rep from * to end

Next row: P2 k2 *, rep from * to end

Work the last two rows for 60 rows. At the same time

Shape waist

Dec 1 st at each end of row 142 and every foll 5th row until 147(148) sts. Work straight for 9 rows and then inc 1 st at each end of next row 149(150-151) sts.

Row 151: Belt loop row. Rib 14(16-18) work 2 tog, m1 (if or ym), rib 14, work 2 tog, m1, rib 10, m1.

work 2 tog, rib 14, m1, work 2 tog, rib 14(16-18).

Row 152: Cont in st st.

Shape bust

Next row: (row 153) Inc 1 st at each end of this row and every foll 10th row until 164(168-172) sts. Work 4 rows.

Shape armholes and sides

(Row 232) Cast off 3 sts at beg of next 2 rows, and then 2 sts at beg of next 2 rows. Dec 1 st at each end of next and foll alt row until 160(164-168) sts. Cast off.

FRONT

(Work as for back but omit hip shaping only and work neck shaping thus.)

Shape bust, armholes and sides

Work as for back and at the same time shape front neck edge thus:

Work to row 238:

Next row: (239) Knit 26(30-32) sts and turn, work leaving rem sts on a spare needle and work neck edges separately. Cast off 3 sts on neck edge, work to end.

Next row: Dec 1 st on neck edge.

Next row: Cast off 3 sts on neck edge.

Next row: Dec 1 st on neck edge.

Next row: Cast off 2 sts on neck edge.

Dec on every row until when combined with the side shaping 16(11-13) sts rem. Cast off. Rejoin yam and cast off centre 14 sts work to end. Work 1 row and then dec on neck edge as for R front reversing all shapings.

TO FINISH OFF

Press all pieces gently.

Straps (make 2)

Using 3.75mm needles and RS of dress facing pick up 26(11-13) sts from front top (either beg or end at the point where the side shaping ends.) Work in k1, p1 rib until strap measures 33cm (13in). Cast off.

Lower front pleat edge

Using B, 3.75mm needles and RS facing, pick up and knit 166(160-164) sts.

Next row: WS facing. Cast off 3(5-2) sts* make picot, cast off 5sts, rep from * to last 3(5-2) sts, cast off 3(5-2).

Lower back picot edge

Work as given for front.

Front side vents

With RS facing pick up and knit 10 sts down side seam ending at last row in B.

Next row: Cast off 3, picot, cast off 3, picot 1, cast off 4.

Back side vents

With RS facing and starting at last row of B, pick up and knit 10 sts to bottom edge of dress.

Next row: Cast off 4, picot 1, cast off 3, picot 1, cast off 3.

Join side seams using back stitch leaving open at side vents.

Back neck edging

With RS of dress facing and starting at end of R

strap with 3.75mm circular needle pick up and knit 56 sts along outside of strap, 16(18-20) sts down front underarm, 16(18-18) sts up back underarm, 56(64-68) sts across back, 14(16-18) sts down back underarm, 16(18-20) sts up front underarm, 56 sts along outside of left strap, 200(244-256) sts.

Next row: WS facing. Cast off 5(2-3) sts* make picot, cast off 5sts, rep from * to last 5(2-3) sts, cast off 5(2-3) sts.

Front neck edging

With RS of dress facing and starting at end of left strap with 3.75mm circular needle pick up and knit 56 sts along inside of strap, 14(16-18) sts down front neck edge, 14(16-18) sts up front neck edge, 56 sts along inside of R strap, 154(160-166) sts.

Next row: WS facing. Cast off 2(5-3) sts* make picot, cast off 5sts, rep from * to last 2(5-3) sts,

cast off 2(5-3) sts.

Sew straps to back of dress placing edge of strap at end of back underarm shaping.

Belt

Cut three lengths of 5/300(305-310)cm [122(122-124)in] long and make a twisted cord thus:

Knot strands together at each end. Attach one end to a door handle or hook and insert a pencil through the other end. Turn the pencil clockwise until all the strands are tightly twisted. Locate and hold the centre of the cord with one hand and bring the two ends together so that the two halves twist together. Shake out to get an even twist. Knot both ends together and trim.

Thread belt through belt holes so that it emerges from front belt holes and can be tied at the front.



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SIZES

Actual measurement: 37cm (14.5in) wide x 25.5 (10in) high excluding handle.

YOU WILL NEED

Woolley's of Stamford Freedom Wool,

100% wool (50m per 50g ball)

10 x 50g ball in each of 405 Purple (A)

and 412 Deep Red (B)

10mm dpr, or circular needles

Stitch marker (you can use contrast yarn tied in a loop)

Tapestry needle

Sewing needle and thread

Magnetic Clasp, from Coats

Chunky zip, approx 25.5cm (10in)

Stitch holders

Note: Yarn amounts given are based on average requirements and are approximate.

TENSION

Gauge after fulling/felting

15 sts x 15 rows = approx 15 x 13cm (6 x 5in)

Use larger or smaller needles if necessary to obtain correct tension.

ABBREVIATIONS

Pu and k = Pick up and knit sts.

For more abbreviations see page 64.

TIPS

Three needle Cast off (Casting)

This is worked from the wrong side of the work.

(RS facing) to join two pieces together without sewing them up. Work as for a basic cast-off, but work together one stitch from each needle.

BOTTOM OF THE BAG

Cast on 5 sts, holding one strand of A, and one strand of B tog. Work with 2 strands throughout.

Row 1: Knit to end of row.

Row 2 and every foll alt row: Purl to end of row.

Row 3: K1, inc1 "k to last 2 sts", inc1 k1, 9 sts.

Row 5: K1, inc1 "k to last 2 sts", inc1 k1, 11 sts.

Row 7: K1, inc1 "k to last 2 sts", inc1 k1, 13 sts.

Row 9: K1, inc1 "k to last 2 sts", inc1 k1, 15 sts.

Row 11: K1, inc1 "k to last 2 sts", inc1 k1, 17 sts.

Rows 13-18: Work at st for 25 rows, ie, knit 1 row, purl the next. You will end on a purl row.

Row 39: K1, k2tog, "k to last 3 sts", k2tog, k1, 13 sts.

Row 40 and every foll alt row: Purl to end of row.

Row 41: K1, k2tog, "k to last 3 sts", k2tog, k1, 11 sts.

Row 43: K1, k2tog, "k to last 3 sts", k2tog, k1, 9 sts.

Row 45: K1, k2tog, "k to last 3 sts", k2tog, k1, 7 sts.

Row 47: K1, k2tog, "k to last 3 sts", k2tog, k1, 5 sts.

Row 49: Knit to end of row.

Body of the bag.

Using a long circular needle, or long dpr, pu and k 99 sts evenly around the bottom of the bag.

This works out at 47 sts along each long side,

and 5 sts at the short end. You will now have 104 sts in total. Place a st marker to mark the end of each round at the end of all the picked up sts.

Rounds 1-2: work at st, ie, knit to end of round.

Round 3: "k12, inc1 into next st" to end of round, 112 sts.

Round 4: Knit to end of round.

Round 5: "k13, inc1 into next st" to end of round, 120 sts.

Round 6: Knit to end of round.

Round 7: "k14, inc1 into next st" to end of round, 128 sts.

Round 8: Knit to end of round.

Round 9: "k10, k2tog" to end of round, 124 sts.

Round 10: Knit to end of round.

Round 11: "k28, k2tog" to end of round, 120 sts.

Round 12: Knit to end of round.

Round 13: "k29, k2tog" to end of round, 116 sts.

Round 14: Knit to end of round.

Round 15: "k27, k2tog" to end of round, 112 sts.

Round 16: Knit to end of round.

Round 17: "k20, k2tog" to end of round, 108 sts.

Round 18: Knit to end of round.

Round 19: "k25, k2tog" to end of round, 104 sts.

Round 20: Knit to end of round.

Rounds 21-54: Work at st, ie, knit 25 rounds.

Making straps and casting off

There are two options. The first is simpler, but I believe the second is more fun, and neater.

Either

Cast off all sts, then work two straps by cast on 10 sts, and working at st for 62 rows.

Sew firmly onto bag.

Fabulous felted tote bag by Jennifer Hilton

Or

Cast off 8 sts, k10 sts, cast off 21 sts, k10 sts and slide onto a st holder (or knit onto a dpn and secure with end points or rubber bands), cast off 11 sts, k10 onto a st holder as before, cast off 21 sts, k10 sts, cast off 3.

You now have 40 live sts, with 2 x 10 sts on st holders, and 2 x 10 sts on your working needle. Using separate sources of yarn, (still working with one strand of A and one strand of B held together), work st st for 60 rows. Holding PS of the straps together, and ensuring that there are no twists, use the 3 needle cast off to join each long strip to its end (sts held on st holder). This forms the two tote handles.

LARGE INNER POCKET

Using one strand of A, and one strand of yarn B held together, cast on 60 sts. Work 45 rows in stocking stitch, then cast off.

SMALL INNER POCKET

Using one strand of A, and one strand of B held together, cast off 10 sts. Work 10 rows in st st, then cast off.

TO FINISH OFF

Weave in all ends. Turn the bag inside out, and firmly sew in inner pocket, positioned as in the sketch, using yarns A and B. Use the sts to guide the line. Sew sides of pocket together to form a tube, then attach at side of the bag at the top. The pocket will sit a few cm below the top of the bag. Sew small pocket to the inside

of a wide side of the bag, sewing the sides and bottom firmly, leaving the top open.

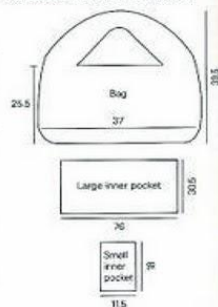
FULLING AND FORMING

The pictured bag was felted gently in a washing machine at 30 degrees on a cotton wash, using Ecolore Wash Balls to agitate. The bag was then stretched to shape, and washed again on a cold wool wash with wool detergent and conditioner. After washing the bag was stretched firmly into shape. The shapings at the bottom, the handles and the inner pockets all need to be stretched. Then the bag was lightly stuffed with crumpled newspaper to form it, the sides were pleated in, the bottom seam folded up and the handles formed. Wazoo yarn was used to lightly tie the handles together to dry and to tie the pleats into position. The long edges were joined together with a safety pin. The shape of the bag needs to be formed carefully at this stage, so take time to achieve a finished shape you are happy with. The felt is very strong and will stand up to a lot of firm stretching.

FINISHING TOUCHES

Once dry I sewed in the chunky zip to the inside pocket using the sewing needle and thread. The magnetic clasps were positioned carefully while the safety pin had held the sides of the bag together. I used A and B to wrap over the outside rings of the magnetic clasps, before securely fixing them into place with pliers, and arranging the wool to cover the metal.

MEASUREMENTS AFTER FELTING IN CM



Inner pocket diagram



Mimosa flower trimmed wrap by Sasha Kagan

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SIZES

Actual measurement: 100cm long x 54cm wide (75 x 21in) excluding tassels.

YOU WILL NEED

Collette Parisienne luxury kid mohair, 70% mohair/30% polyamide (221m per 25g ball)
 B x 25g balls in 4 New Storm: (A)
 1 x 25 g ball in 94 Magenta (B)
 1 pair 5 mm needles
 1 x 4 mm crochet hook

Note: Yarn amounts given are based on average requirements and are approximate.

TENSION

20 sts and 24 rows to 10cm over st st using yarn double and 5mm needles. Use larger or smaller needles if necessary to obtain correct tension.

ABBREVIATIONS SEE PAGE 64

KNITTING NOTES

Use yarn double throughout.

BACK

Using A (double) and 5mm needles and cast on 109 sts.

Work in chequered patt thus:

Row 1: * K2, p5; rep from * to last st k1

Row 2 and foll alt rows: Knit the k sts and p the p sts.

Rows 3 and 5: * K2, p6; rep from * to last st, k1.

Row 2, 9 and 11: * K1, p5, k7; rep from * to end of row.

Continue in chequered pattern until piece measures 100 cm (75in).

Cast off.

CROCHET FLOWER

Using 4mm crochet hook and B (used single) make 48 flowers thus:

Base ring: Wrap yarn 3 times round first finger of L hand.

Round 1 (RS): Ch 1, work 10 dc into ring, pull free end of yarn to close circle, then join round with a sl st to first dc (10 dc).

Round 2: * Ch 4, work (1 dc, 1 tr, 1 hr) in next st; rep from * around 4 times more.

Sl st to first ch of bag ch 4-5 petals.

Fasten off.

Sew flowers to wrap using pic as guide.

TO FINISH OFF

Steam wrap to measurements.

Make 10cm (5in) tassels with A and B and attach alternately to top and bottom of wrap.



Matthew Bear by Jemma Weston

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SIZES

Actual measurement: Approx 44cm tall

YOU WILL NEED

Rowan Felted Tweed 50% Marino Wool, 25% Alpaca, 25% Viscose/Rayon (175m per 50g)
2 x 50g balls in SH157 Camel (A)
1 x 50g ball in each of SH150 Fige (B) and SH152 Watery (C)
Oddments for nose and mouth in SH153 phantom (D)
1 pair of 4mm knitting needles
Wool needle for making up
Toy stuffing
2 x 8mm brown or black 4 hole buttons for eyes
1 x 28mm button for cardigan
Note: Yarn amounts given are based on overage requirements and are approximate.



TENSION

22 sts and 30 rows to 10cm over st using 4mm needles.

Use larger or smaller needles if necessary to obtain correct tension.

ABBREVIATIONS

kl pb = knit front, purl back: knit into the front of the st without slipping it off the needle, purl into the back of the same st then slip it off, thus making 1 st.
pl kb = purl front, knit back: purl into the front of the st without slipping it off the needle, knit into the back of the same st then slip it off, thus making 1 st.
spso = sl, p1, pso.

For more abbreviations see page 64.

BACK

Head

Using A, cast on 10 sts and work in st st thus:

Row 1: Purl.

Row 2: Inc 1 st at each end of row.
Rep these 2 rows a further 4 times.
***Work 3 rows st st, inc 1 st at each end of next row.
Rep these 4 rows 3 times further.
Work 3 rows st st, dec 1 st at each end of next and foll 4th row.

Next row: Purl.

Dec 1 st at each end of next and foll 5 alt rows.

Next row: Purl.

Next row: (K1, k2tog) 3 times, (k2tog, tbl k1) 3 times.

Shape shoulders

Next row: Cast on 10 sts and purl across all 22 sts.

Next row: Cast on 10 and knit across.

Next row: Cast on 28 and purl across, cast on 28 sts.

Next row: K1, m1, k28, k28, k28, k28, k28, m1, k1.

Next row: Purl.

Rep the last 2 rows a further 4 times.

Next row: K1, k2tog, k28, k28, k28, k28, k28, m1, k1.

Next row: Purl.

Next row: K1, k2tog, k24, k28, k28, k28, k28, k28, m1, k1.

Next row: P1, spso, p22, spso, p26, p2tog, p22, p2tog, p1.

Cast off 25 sts (1 st on R needle) k25.

Cast off final 25 sts.

BODY

Rejoin yarn and work 9 rows st st. ***Inc 1 st at each end of next row. Work 5 rows st st, inc 1 st at each end of next row. Work 3 rows st st, inc 1 st at each end of next row. Rep the last 4 rows 2 times further. Work 3 rows st st. Dec 1 st at each end of next row. Work 5 rows st st. ***Dec 1 st at each end of next row. Work 3 rows st st. Dec 1 st at each end of next and foll alt row.

Next row: Purl.

Right leg.

Working on the first 14 sts only work 30 rows st st. Dec 1 at each end of next and foll alt row.

Next row: Purl.

Cast off.

LEFT LEG

Working on the rem 14 sts, work as for R leg.

FRONT

Head

Using A work as back head to **.

Row 1 and every foll alt row: Purl.

Row 2: K2, m1, k22, m1, k2.

Row 4: K1, m1, k2, m1, k20, m1, k3, m1, k1.

Row 6: K2, m1, k18, m1, k2.

Row 8: K1, m1, k3, m1, k16, m1, k8, m1, k1.

Row 10: K12, m1, k14, m1, k2.

Row 12: K1, m1, k12, m1, k12, m1, k13, m1, k1.

Row 14: K12, m1, k10, m1, k12.

Row 16: K1, m1, k18, m1, k8, m1, k3, m1, k1.

Row 18: K22, m1, k6, m1, k22.

Row 20: K1, k2tog, k21, m1, k4, m1, k21, k2tog, k1.

Row 22: K25, m1, k2, m1, k25.

Row 24: K1, k2tog, k22, k2tog, k2tog, k2tog, k22, k2tog, k1.

Row 26: K1, k2tog, k20, k2tog, k2tog, k20, k2tog, k1.

Row 27: P21, spso, p2tog, p21.

Row 28: K1, k2tog, k17, k2tog, k2tog, k17, k2tog, k1.

Row 29: P18, spso, p2tog, p18.

Row 30: K1, k2tog, k14, k2tog, k2tog, k14, k2tog, k1.

Row 31: P15, spso, p2tog, p15.

Row 32: K1, k2tog, k11, k2tog, k2tog, k11, k2tog, k1.

Row 33: P12, spso, p2tog, p12.

Row 34: K1, k2tog, k8, k2tog, k2tog, k8, k2tog, k1.

Row 35: P9, spso, p2tog, p9.

Row 36: K8, k2tog, k2tog, k8.

Row 37: Purl.

Row 38: (K1, k2tog) 3 times (k2tog, k1) 3 times.

Shoulders

Work as back shoulders.

BODY

Row 1 and every foll alt row: Purl.

Row 2: K2, m1, k10, m1, k8.

Row 4: K3, m1, k12, m1, k8.

Row 6: K3, m1, k14, m1, k8.

Row 8: K3, m1, k16, m1, k8.

Row 9: Purl.

Work as back body from ** to ***.

Row 1: K1, k2tog, k11, k2tog, k10, k2tog, k11, k2tog, k1.

Row 2 and every foll alt row: Purl.

Row 3: K1, k2tog, k10, k2tog, k3, k2tog, 1k4, k10, k2tog, 1k4, k1.

Row 5: K1, k2tog, k3, k2tog, k5, k2togtbl, k3, k2togtbl, k1.

Row 7: K1, k2tog, k4, k2togtbl, k1.

Row 8: Purl.

Left leg

Work on first 14 sts only.

Work 22 rows at st, placing a marker at each end of the 22nd row.

Work a further 10 rows at st.

Break off yarn and rejoin at the marker on the right edge of the leg.

Pick up and k 5 sts along the right edge

between the marker and the needle, a st from needle then pick up and k a further 5 sts along the left edge to the marker.

Row 1 and every 10th alt row: Purl.

Row 2: K5, m1, k4, m1, k5.

Row 4: K5, m1, k4, m1, k5.

Row 6: K7, m1, k4, m1, k7.

Row 8: K8, k2tog, k10, k2togtbl, k8.

Row 9: P18, p2tog, st, turn.

Row 10: K10, k2togtbl, st, turn.

Row 11: P10, k2tog, st, turn.

Rep the last 2 rows 6 times further.

Next row: K10, k2togtbl, st, turn.

Next row: P 1, p2togtbl, p6, p2tog, p1.

Cast off.

RIGHT LEG

Work across rem 14 sts and work as L leg.

EARS

(Make 2)

Using A cast on 14 sts and work 6 rows at st, dec 1 st at each end of next and foll 3 alt rows.

Next row: Purl (this row forms the fold at the top of the ear).

Next row: Pick up st from R edge.

Knit to end and pick up a further st from L edge.

Rep these 2 rows a further 3 times.

Next row: Purl.

Next row: Pick up st from R edge, k1, pass edge st over, k2, st, pick up st from left edge, p5so.

Rep these 2 rows twice more and cast off p-wise.

NOSE

Using D cast on 8 sts and work 2 rows at st beg with a knit row, dec 1 st at each end of next and foll 2 alt rows.

Next row: Purl.

Next row: Skew and thread yarn through rem st

CARDIGAN

Using B cast on 38 sts.

Row 1: K1, p1, rep from * to end.

Row 2: P1, k1, rep from * to end.

These 2 rows form moss st, rep these 2 rows a further 4 times.

Next row: P2tog, K1, p1, rep from * to last 2 sts, k2tog.

Work rows 1 and 2 twice then row 1 once more.

Next row: K2tog, P1, k1, rep from * to last two sts, p2tog.

Next row: P1, k1, rep from * to end.

Next row: K1, p1, rep from * to end.

Rep these 2 rows once more and then work the first again.

Next row: P2tog, K1, p1, rep from * to last two sts, k2tog.

Next row: K1, p1, rep from * to end.

Next row: P1, k1, rep from * to end.

Rep these 2 rows once more and then work the first again.

Next row: Cast on 14 sts and work across all 44 sts in moss st beg with k.

Next row: Cast on 14 sts and work across all 58 sts in moss st beg with p.

Next row: K1, p1, rep from * to end.

Next row: P1, (k1, p1) 6 times, m1, p1, m1, (p1, k1) 14 times, p1, m1, p1, m1, (p1, k1) 7 times.

Next row: K1, p1, rep from * to end.

Next row: P1, k1, rep from * to end.

Next row: (K1, p1) 8 times, m1, p1, m1, (p1, k1) 14 times, p1, m1, p1, m1, (p1, k1) 7 times, p1.

Next row: K1, p1, rep from * to end.

Next row: (K1, p1) 9 times, m1, p1, m1, (p1, k1) 14 times, p1, m1, p1, m1, (p1, k1) 8 times, p1.

Next row: P1, k1, rep from * to end.

Next row: (K1, p1) 10 times, m1, p1, m1, (p1, k1) 14 times, p1, m1, p1, m1, (p1, k1) 9 times, p1.

Next row: K1, p1, rep from * to end.

Next row: (K1, p1) 11 times, m1, p1, m1, (p1, k1) 14 times, p1, m1, p1, m1, (p1, k1) 10 times, p1.

Next row: P1, k1, rep from * to end.

Next row: K1, p1, rep from * to end.

Next row: P1, k1, rep from * to end.

Next row: K1, p1, rep from * to end.

Next row: P1, (p1, k1) 16 times, cast off 12 sts, cont in moss st to end.

FRONT

Work on first 33 sts only.

Row 1: P1, (k1, p1) 15, k2tog.

Row 2: P2tog, K1, p1, rep from * to end.

Row 3: P1, K1, p1, rep from * to end.

Row 4: K1 pb into 1st st, k1, (p1, k1) twice,

p2tog, k2tog, cont to end in moss st.

Row 5: P1, k1, rep from * to end.

Row 6: P1 kb into 1st st, (p1, k1) 3 times, p2tog,

k2tog, cont in moss st to end.

Row 7: P1, K1, p1, rep from * to end.

Cast on 8 sts.

Next row: K1 pb into 1st st, k1, (p1, k1) 6 times, p2tog, k2tog, cont in moss st to end.

Next row: P1, k1, rep from * to end.

Next row: K1, p1, rep from * to end.

Next row: (P1, k1) 7 times, p2tog, k2tog,

cont in moss st to end.

Next row: K1, p1, rep from * to end.

Next row: Cast off 14 sts, work moss st over rem 18 sts.

Next row: K1, p1, rep from * to end.

Next row: P1, k1, rep from * to end.

Rep these 2 rows 4 times further.

Next row: K1, P1, k1, rep from * until 1 st rem, p1 kb into 1st st.

Next row: K1, P1, k1, rep from * to end.

Rep this row 4 times further.

Next row: K1, p1, rep from * until 1 st rem, k1

pb into rem st.

Next row: P1, k1, rep from * to end.

Next row: K1, p1, rep from * to end.

Rep these 2 rows and then rep the 1st once more.

Next row: K1, p1, k1, rep from * until 1 st rem, p1 kb into 1st st.

Next row: K1, p1, k1, rep from * to end.

Rep this row a further 9 times and cast off.

RIGHT FRONT

Rejoin yarn and work on rem 33 sts.

Row 1: P2tog, cont in moss st to end.

Row 2: K1, p1, rep from * until last 2 sts, k2tog.

Row 3: K1, P1, k1, rep from * to end.

Row 4: (K1, p1) 10 times, k2tog, p2tog, (k1, p1) 3 times, k1 pb into 1st st.

Row 5: P1, k1, rep from * to end.

Row 6: (K1, p1) 9 times, k2tog, p2tog, (k1, p1) 3 times, k1 pb into 1st st.

Row 7: K1, p1, rep from * to end.

Row 8: (K1, p1) 8 times, k2tog, p2tog, (k1, p1) 4 times, k1 pb into 1st st, cast on 8 sts.

Row 9: P1, k1, rep from * to end.

Row 10: K1, p1, rep from * to end.

Row 11: (P1, k1) 7 times, p2tog, k2tog, cont in moss st to end.

Row 12: K1, p1, rep from * to end.

Row 13: P1, k1, rep from * to end.

Row 14: K1, p1, rep from * to end.

Row 15: (P1, k1) 6 times, p2tog, k2tog, cont in moss st to end.

Row 16: K1, p1, rep from * to end.

Row 17: (P1, k1) 9 times, cast off last 14 sts.

Rejoin yarn.

Row 18: K1, p1, rep from * to end.

Row 19: K1, k1, rep from * to end.

Rep rows 18 & 19 4 times further.

Next row: P1 kb into 1st st, p1, K1, p1, rep from * to end.

Next row: P1, K1, p1, rep from * to end.

Rep this row a further 4 times.

Next row: K1 pb into 1st st, K1, p1, rep from * to end.

Next row: P1, k1, cast off 4 sts, cont in moss st to end.

Next row: (K1, p1) 7 times, cast on 4 sts, k1, p1.

Next row: P1, k1, rep from * to end.

Next row: K1, p1, rep from * to end.

Next row: P1, k1, rep from * to end.

Next row: K1 pb into 1st st, p1, K1, p1,

rep from * to end.

Next row: P1, K1, p1, rep from * to end.

Rep this row a further 9 times and cast off.

SCARF

Using C cast on 13 sts and knit straight until scarf measures approx 65cm (25.5in) and cast off.

TO FINISH OFF

Sew together the front and back sections of the base, stuffing as you go along.

Stitch ears in place on the seam of the head.

Sew on the nose and stitch a mouth.

Sew the 2 small buttons in place for the eyes.

Sew the cardigan together at the side seams

and under the sleeves.

Sew the larger button in place on the cardigan. ➤



Putting trout cot mobile by Gillian Harris

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SIZES

Each fish is approx: 20cm (8in) long.

YOU WILL NEED

Coats Crafts Merino Wool Tops

100% unspun wool

30g each of: pale lime, orange, pale blue
Plus small amounts of: purple, dark red,
 lime, burgundy, olive green, turquoise, pale
 turquoise, black, white, yellow, pale pink, coral,
 magenta, and cerise

Selection of felting needles
 3 foam fish shapes (optional)
 Fancy braid or ribbon
 Piece of driftwood
 Needle and thread

HOW TO DO NEEDLEFELTING SEE PAGE 48

TIPS

Needlefelting: Cheats's method
 Make many felt balls at once by using a washing machine and some old nylon tights. Take a piece of fleece from the unspun wool 'tops', which look like colourful cotton wool. Place a ball of the fleece into the toe of the tights, tie opening with an elastic and repeat up the legs! Pop into a 60°C (140°F) wash with soap powder adding a pair of old jeans to create friction.

1 Making a ball

Roll up a little fleece to form a core and start to wrap more fleece around it. The ball will shrink approx 50% or more, so wrap the ball substantially larger than you want it to end up. Add different coloured fibres to create depth

and patterns, and wrap a final wispy piece of fleece around it to keep everything in place.

2 Dampening

Spray the ball with soapy water until damp, but not drenched, or it may fall apart. Make your hands soapy, then roll the ball lightly between your palms, using as little pressure as possible. If it starts to resemble a small brain, release a little pressure. You don't want to squish it before it has started to harden sufficiently! After 5-10 minutes, you should notice the ball starting to feel harder and denser.

3 Rolling

Once the ball has hardened slightly, roll it gently on a bamboo mat or similar rough surface. As the ball hardens, increase the pressure until it comes together. Rinse thoroughly in hot or boiling water, taking care not to scald yourself, and rinse out all the soap. Continue to roll on bamboo until the ball shrinks to desired size.

POUTING TROUT MOBILE

1. Start with a large felting needle. For the orange fish, begin by making a basic oval shape for the body. Remember that fibres condense and mat together as you are needle felting, so the shape will shrink, just as in other forms of feltmaking. Spend some time on the body, constantly turning and refining the shape. Use several different shades of the same colour over the top of one another to add depth and shading.
2. Next, working directly onto dense foam, make a flat fish-tail shape with the same colour as the body. If required and attach this to the main body of the fish by

stabbing with the needle.

For the tail and slightly

3. Now make the fins. Make two smaller fin shapes and one larger and longer one for the top fin. Give to shape with some small scissors if necessary. Pin the fins into position to get them looking correct before needle felting them onto the fish.
4. Using a fine needle, attach the pattern detail using the photographs to guide you. First, criss-cross the pale blue lines on the body, then wrap and attach black and white stripes at the top of the tail. Make pink stripes fan down the tail, then add the coloured spots. Finally add two eyes in blue with a small pink centre and outline in burgundy.
5. To make the lips for the fish use larger needles to make an oval shape in dark red fleece. Once you have the right shape attach it at the front of the fish by needling around the edges. When it is fixed start to push the needle in more along the centre line and indent the felt to form two lips. Keep stabbing until they are firmly in place and well outlined.
6. Repeat for the other two fish, using different colours and patterns - see photograph or just use your imagination!
7. With a needle and thread, stitch a piece of cord or ribbon to the top fin of each fish. Make each hanging cord a slightly different length so that the fish float at different heights. Attach the cords to convenient points on the driftwood or similar, then bring all three pieces to the centre above and tie off. Hang the mobile from a small hook fixed in the ceiling.



Textured baby jacket by Lois Daykin

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SIZES

To fit age approx: 3-6 (5-9-12-12-18-18-24) mths
 Actual measurements: 52/56-60-65/70 cm

[20/22-23/25-27] in

Length from shoulder: 24/26/29-32/35 cm
 (9/10-11-12-14) in

Sleeve seam: 13/15-17/20-22 cm (5/6-7-8) in

Figures in square brackets refer to larger sizes, where there is only one set of figures this applies to all sizes.

needles and rayon yarn with RS facing, inc in first st, rib to end. 8 sts.

Boy's version only

Slip 7 sts from right front holder onto 3mm needles and rayon yarn with WS facing, inc in first st, rib to end. 8 sts.

Both versions

Work in rib as set until band, when slightly stretched, fits up front opening edge to neck shaping, ending with RS facing for next row. Break off yarn and leave sts on a holder. Slip stitch band in place.

Mark positions for 4 buttons on this band - first to come 6cm (2in) up from cast-on edge, last to come 2.5cm (1 in) below neck shaping and rem 2 buttons evenly spaced between.

BUTTONHOLE BAND

Girl's version only

Slip 7 sts from right front holder onto 3mm needles and rayon yarn with WS facing, inc in first st, rib to end. 8 sts.

Boy's version only

Slip 7 sts from left front holder onto 3mm needles and rayon yarn with RS facing, inc in first st, rib to end. 8 sts.

Both versions

Work in rib as set until band, when slightly stretched, fits up front opening edge to neck shaping, ending with RS facing for next row and at the same time work 4 buttonholes to correspond with positions marked for buttons as follows:

Buttonhole row (RS) Rib 3, work 2 tog, yrn (to make a buttonhole), rib 3.

When band is complete, break off yarn and leave sts on a holder. Slip stitch band in place.

COLLAR

With RS facing and using 3mm needles, rib first 7 sts of R front band, work tog last st of band with first st on right front holder. K rem 2(2-3-4) sts on R front holder, pick up and knit 1(1-1-1-1-1-1) sts up R side of neck, knit across 2(2-3-25-25-27) sts on back holder, pick up and knit 1(1-1-1-1-1-1) sts down L side of neck, then knit first 2(2-3-4) sts on L front holder, work

tog last st on L front holder with first st of L front band, rib rem 7 sts of L front band, 7(7-7-25-25-27) sts. Working all sts in rib as set by bands, work in rib for 1 row, ending with RS of body (WS of collar) facing for next row.

Next row: Rib to last 2(2-25-25-27) sts and turn. Rep last row once more.

Next row: Rib to last 2(1-22-22-23) sts and turn. Rep last row once more.

Next row: Rib to last 16 sts and turn.

Rep last row once more.

Next row: Rib to end.

Work in rib across all sts for 3 rows. Cast off 5 sts at beg of next 2 rows. 6(6-7-25-25-27) sts. Work in rib for 1(1-1-1-1-1-1) rows more. Cast off in rib.

TO FINISH OFF

Matching shaped edges at underarm and centre of sleeve cast off edge to shoulder sears, sew sleeves into armholes. Sew side and sleeve seams. Sew pocket linings in place on inside. Sew on buttons.



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Patchwork nursery throw by Sarah Moncrieff

SIZES

Actual measurement:

110 x 140 cm (55 x 55in) excluding border

YOU WILL NEED

Rowan Cotton Glace 100% cotton

(approx 115m per 50g)

13 x 50g balls 749 Sky (A)

4 x 50g balls 814 Shout (B)

6 x 50g balls 809 Pier (C)

3 x 50g balls 811 Tickle (D)

2 x 50g balls in each of 787 Hypocrite (E), 822

Poony (F) and 726 Bleached (H)

1 x 50g ball 812 Yarn (F)

1 pair each 4mm needles.

Note: Yarn amounts given are based on average requirements and are approximate.

TENSION

22 sts and 31 rows to 10cm (4in) over st st using 4mm needles.

Use larger or smaller needles if necessary to obtain correct tension.

ABBREVIATIONS SEE PAGE 64

TIPS

The quilt is made up of 49 squares each measuring 20 x 20cm (8 x 8in). Rowan cotton

Glaze is used on 4mm needles for this design, but any DK or similar weight cotton can be used as long as it knits up to the tension of 22 sts and 30/31 rows to 10cm.

Colour patterns worked using the intarsia technique. Wind off several small balls of cols as required before starting to knit.

Follow charts, working RS rows from R to L and WS rows from L to R.

EACH SQUARE

(Except the textured squares)

Cast on 44 sts and starting with a knit row work in st st for 60 rows, ending with a purl row incorporating patts from charts where appropriate. Cast off.

TEXTURED SQUARES

Using A, cast on 44 sts.

Row 1: K1, p11, k11, p11

Rep last row for next 14 rows.

Row 15: P11, k11, p11, k11

Rep this row for next 14 rows.

Rep rows 1-15 and cast off.

SQUARES

Roses Squares: 13

Plain Green: 8

Textured Blue: 8

Chequered: 8

Hearts (blue on blue): 6

Hearts (blue on blue): 6

TO FINISH OFF

Sew in ends and gently press all pieces.

Sew the squares together according to the plan.

Border

Using 4mm needles and A cast on 6 sts.

Row 1: K2, yf, k2 tog, yf, k2 (7sts)

Rows 2, 4, 6, 8: Knit

Row 3: K1, yf, k2 tog, yf, k2 (8sts)

Row 5: K4, yf k2tog, yf, k2 (10sts)

Row 7: K4, yf k2tog, yf, k2 (10sts)

Row 9: K6, yf k2tog, yf, k2 (11sts)

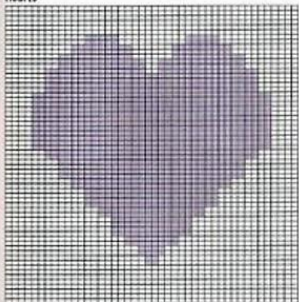
Row 11: Cast off 5, 15 (8sts)

Rep rows 1-11 until the border fits along one side of the throw slip stitching in place as you go casting off after a row 10.

Rep for other 3 sides but note that the border needs to be longer for two of the sides, (ie when the border is stitched in place, say along the two sides, it means that the other two sides, the top and bottom, are longer by the width of the borders).

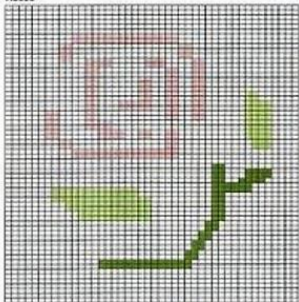
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Hearts



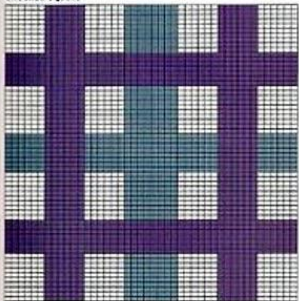
Each square = 1 st and 1 row D A is D Work 6 this colourway & 6 reverse cols

Roses



Each square = 1 st and 1 row D C is G B is F

Checked square



Each square = 1 st and 1 row D N is A E

Pattern placement

T		♥	Plain B	♥	R	T
R	Plain B	#	R	#	Plain B	R
♥	#	T	♥	Plain B	#	♥
R	T	♥	R	♥	T	R
♥	#	Plain B	♥	T	#	♥
R	Plain B	#	R	#	Plain B	R
T	R	♥	Plain B	♥	R	T

T = Textured

R = Rose

= Squares

Plain B = St st in B

♥ Heart A on D

♥ Heart D on A



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